

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 2, line 7 to read as follows:

A transmission band for this high-speed serial bus of the DVI format can transmit image signal by using 3 channels (single-link) high-speed serial bus, as shown in Fig. 7, in a case when data amount of transmitting image signal is up to about 165 M-pixels/sec., namely an image display of SXGA (Super Extended Graphics Array) (1280 pixels X 1024 pixels) size and a vertical frequency of 85 Hz with a GTF (General Timing Formula) blanking is executed or an image display of an UXGA (ultra Extended Graphics Array) (1600 pixels x 1200 pixels) size and vertical frequency of 60 Hz with a GTF blanking is executed. However, in a case when an image display of an UXGA (1600 pixels x 1200 pixels) size and a vertical frequency of 75 Hz with a GTF blanking is executed, a 2-link high-speed serial bus is employed.

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 to read as follows:

By the way, between two electronic device for legal protection, namely an authentication process is executed between a signal transmission device for outputting encrypted digital image signal of the contents and a signal reception device for receiving a signal from the signal transmission device as a pair, and if it is judged that an authorized device is connected, then

key information for decrypting the encrypted digital image signal of the contents data is supplied. In this case, image display operations by the plural signal reception device are executed in order to improve advertising effect, such plural signal reception devices are connected to multi-stage by a star connection as shown in Fig. 8. In this case, when the authentication is properly executed with the signal transmission device 100 and each of the signal reception devices 130, the key information is supplied to the signal reception device from the signal transmission device and it becomes possible to execute the image display by the signal reception device to which the key information is supplied.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 3, line 7 to read as follows:

If a relay function is added to the signal reception device, a plurality of signal reception devices ~~is~~ 130 are connected to the signal transmission device 100 in a multistage daisy-chain connection as shown in Fig. 9.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 9, line 22 to read as follows:

Further device information such as a model name of a signal reception device is registered at the transmission/reception controlling section 14, wherein the signal reception device is to

be connected to the signal transmission device 10. The registered device information designates a signal reception device that does not have a function to copy the contents data without deteriorating image quality, namely a signal reception device that does not have function to output the supplied digital image signal and also does not have function to output the digital image signal by converting into a video signal of the NTSC (National Television Systems Committee) format.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 11, line 8 to read as follows:

A transmitting section 42-0 executes an encoding process for transmitting the supplied digital signal DGs similar to the transmitting section ~~13-0~~ 13, generates a serial transmission signal SD and supplies it to a connector 41-0.